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ANGLO-JEWISH DEFENSE GROUPS MAP PLANS TO FIGHT SWASTIKA PLAGUE

LONDON, Jan. 6, (JTA) -- The defense organizations of British Jewry, disturbed by the failure of police to make any arrests of anti-Semitic vandals, and the continued desecrations of Jewish institutions, mapped plans today for a more direct role in ending the outrages.

A Scotland Yard source told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that the number of "nuisance incidents" during the last few days exceeded 40.

The Jewish Defense Commission of the Board of Deputies of British Jews was scheduled to meet tonight to examine reports from all parts of the British Isles and to decide on the best means of cooperating with the police and Scotland yard in tracking down and arresting the anti-Semitic vandals.

The executive committee of the Association of Jewish Ex-Servicemen and Women was to discuss proposals that the association establish a corps of night watchmen for threatened Jewish communal buildings. Members of Jewish youth organizations have informally voiced demands for direct action because of police failure to arrest any of the vandals.

Despite increased police vigilance and posting of plain-clothes detectives in areas of expected trouble, reports of new outbreaks of anti-Semitic smearing and threats kept coming in here.

Swastikas Make Appearance in Washington

(In Washington, anti-Semites drew Nazi swastikas today on a streetcar subway wall in the Du Pont circle area of downtown Washington. Metropolitan police were investigating.

(In France, anti-Semitic manifestations were reported in Toulouse and Bordeaux. At Toulouse, street signs proclaimed: "Death to the Jews and the German Reich." At Bordeaux, swastikas were painted in red on the walls of the local synagogue and the Jewish cemetery.

(In Sao Paulo, Brazil, a wall of the new synagogue of Congregation Israelita Paulista was smeared during the night with a swastika and the legend, "Jews go home.")

Two large swastikas were found on a Jewish cemetery in Bushley Park. One was almost three feet high. They were daubed in black paint on the main pillar of the cemetery entrance. Swastikas also were painted on a Jewish clubhouse in Hertfordshire. "Bury the Jews" was among the slogans painted on business premises at Axminster, Devon.

At Bristol, four red swastikas were smeared on a synagogue, and another was painted on the door of a house. At Kingston, three red swastikas were painted on the doors and a pillar of the Kingston and Surbiton District Synagogue. In Manchester, a swastika was painted on the door of the home of a local Jewish community leader.

WALTER BLAMES COMMUNISTS, RABBI CITES FUGITIVE NAZIS, FOR OUTBREAKS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6, (JTA) -- Chairman Francis E. Walter of the House Committee on Un-American Activities said today he had obtained information from "unassailable" intelligence sources revealing that the Communists were behind recent anti-Semitic outbreaks in West Germany.

Rep. Walter said he was satisfied that the anti-Jewish acts were "Communist inspired for the purpose of attempting to discredit the West German Adenauer Government." He indicated that West Germany was in no way to blame for the Nazi manifestations.

According to Rep. Walter, Communist agents rounded up hoodlums to "create an image in the public mind of a rebirth of the Nazi atrocities against the Jews...all as a part of a diabolical scheme to further Communist designs in West Germany."

CAPETOWN, So. Africa, Jan. 6, (JTA) -- Fugitive Nazis who escaped from Germany after the war are responsible for the current wave of anti-Semitic attacks throughout the world, in the opinion of Chief Rabbi L. Abrahams here. He made that statement today after a swastika was found painted on the synagogue at Muizenburg, near here.

"This and similar outrages overseas," said the Jewish spiritual leader, "are not isolated actions. They are coordinated. Many Nazis fled Germany after the war, and are now working their deeds in various countries."

U.S. JEWISH LEADERS AGREE ON GRAVITY OF DEVELOPMENTS IN GERMANY

NEW YORK, Jan. 6. (JTA) -- American Jewish leaders agreed today that there was no special significance--beyond "malicious mischief" by "lunatic fringe" individuals--to the anti-Semitic activities in the United States that were sparked by the Christmas Eve desecration of the synagogue in Cologne, West Germany.

There was virtual agreement, too, about the gravity of the current situation in Germany, and about the measures that should be taken there to counter the resurgence of neo-Nazism in that country.

Spokesmen for the national Jewish organizations in the United States disagreed, however, about the existence of an international "plot" which--in the view of some leaders--has been manipulating the current outcroppings of swastika-daubings, Nazi-type sloganeering, threats and synagogue desecrations in far-flung Jewish centers on five continents.

The existence of such world-wide "coordination" was seen by Dr. Joachim Prinz, president of the American Jewish Congress. Herbert B. Ehrmann, president of the American Jewish Committee, said Germany was still "the focal center of infection for anti-Semitism."

Seven major national Jewish organizations that joined in a statement issued by the National Community Relations Advisory Council, expressed the conviction, however, that "evidence at this time does not justify the conclusion that the spate of incidents are parts of an organized plot or the result of central planning or direction." The statement warned that "the rapidity and range" of the recent anti-Semitic manifestations are cause for concern, and merit close and alert attention."

The organizations signing the NCRAC statement were the American Jewish Congress, the Jewish Labor Committee, Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A., National Council of Jewish Women, Union of American Hebrew Congregations, Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, and the United Synagogue of America.

American Incidents Work of 'Cranks and Hoodlums'

Dealing with the incidents on the American scene, the joint statement said that they "appear to be the work of cranks and hoodlums, whose weak and impressionable minds have been infected by the examples set by the German anti-Semites responsible for the wave of desecrations in that country."

It added that "while it would be unwise to dismiss or disregard any such wave of incidents as those that have taken place, it is equally important that rock-throwings and other vandalism that are apparently the work of mentally disturbed perpetrators not be exaggerated or given undue prominence."

Henry E. Schultz, national chairman of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, concurred with this view. These events, he said, were "not sympathetic of growing, organized anti-Semitism." He noted that "whenever dramatic outbreaks of bigotry take place, and are widely reported, the lunatic fringe is inspired to imitate. There are enough sick minds walking the streets to be stimulated into acts of vandalism."

Stress Need for Fundamental Measures in Germany

The men and organizations speaking for the American Jewish community were in virtual accord in their attitude on the German situation. They agreed there was no reason to doubt the sincerity of the West German Government in seeking to punish anti-Semitic acts, but insisted that "much more fundamental measures are required."

"Germany remains the breeding ground of anti-Semitism, the manifest source of an infection that can spread swiftly, as the recent rash of incidents suggests," the NCRAC statement pointed out. "Despite denazification processes, many former Nazis occupy positions of power and influence in the West German Government, including its judiciary and its ministries. No systematic efforts have been made to educate the German people away from the racist and fanatically nationalistic ideologies of Nazism. The schools, in which new generations of Germans are being reared, are especially deficient in this regard."

The statement declared that "the German Government must do more than register shock and dismay; more than apprehend and punish culprits. It must take the fundamental social measures that observers of the German scene have for so long urged as the only course to Germany's regeneration as a real partner in the family of free democratic nations."

The ADL official described the recent developments in Germany, as grave incidents "that cannot be looked upon as isolated acts, but must be viewed against the nation's history." Conceding that the German Government has made anti-Semitism a punishable crime, Mr. Schultz said that "the German people must come to terms with their past." "This is not," he continued, "a matter of apprehending a number of culprits, or even of outlawing a minor party. It is a matter of gaining general acceptance of a public policy that repudiates the past unequivocally, and seeks to create a society that is democratic in concept and practice."

SCHWARTZ DECLARES 1959 WAS SECOND BEST YEAR IN ISRAEL BOND HISTORY

JERUSALEM, Jan. 6. (JTA) -- Israel bond sales during 1959 totaled \$52,500,000, a 15 percent increase over 1958 sales and the second best year of sales in the history of Israel bond campaigns, Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, executive vice-president of the Israel Bond Organization, told a press conference here today.

He emphasized that the increase was achieved in the absence of any crisis and said this indicated a growing confidence in Israel's stability and development possibilities.

Indicating that there was every reason to expect another increase during 1960, Dr. Schwartz said that if the present "tight money" policy continued in the United States and throughout the world, the Israel bonds administration may recommend an increase in the current four percent return paid on Israel bonds.

He also reported that he had completed talks with Pinhas Sapir, Minister of Commerce and Industry, on an agreement placing Israel bond offices and staffs in various cities at the disposal of the Ministry's new organization to promote investments in Israel industry.

Dr. Schwartz also announced that former President Truman and Moshe Dayan, Israel's new Minister of Agriculture and former Chief of Staff, will be among the guest speakers at the Israel bonds conference opening in Miami on February 26.

ZIM TO SELL INTEREST IN GHANA SHIPPING LINE, RETAIN MANAGEMENT

TEL AVIV, Jan. 6. (JTA) -- A spokesman for Zim Israel lines announced here that the company will sell its 40 percent interest in the Israel-Ghana shipping firm, the Black Star Line.

A general tendency toward achievement of Ghana ownership in investments in Ghana as well as nationalization trends in that country were considered here as factors in the Zim decision.

(The Ghana Transport and Communications Minister announced in Accra that his government planned to buy Zim Navigation Company's 40 percent share in the Black Star Line to make it completely government owned.)

The Zim spokesman said the company's share would be sold to the Government of Ghana which intends to invest some 12,000,000 pounds sterling in ten more ships, a plan which exceeded the ability of the Israel firm to handle.

The spokesman said that commercial and nautical management of the Black Star Line would be retained by Zim under a new agreement which would continue until 1967. The prior agreement ended in 1962. The managerial agreement will cover the expanded Black Star Line, the spokesman said.

"Ghana has decided that Israel's managerial contribution is sufficiently valuable in itself and prolonged the original contract," the spokesman stated, explaining that the line has produced profits in its first year of operation. Israel's arrangement with the line will be similar to those between Zim and the Burmese Five Star Shipping Company, which is managed by Israelis as a nationally owned Burmese firm.

BEN-GURION HITS SOVIET POLICY OF SUPPLYING ARMS TO ARAB STATES

JERUSALEM, Jan. 6. (JTA) -- Soviet Russia's supply of powerful offensive weapons to the United Arab Republic and Iraq is inconsistent with its proposals for disarmament, Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion declared today in the Knesset, Israel's Parliament.

He made the statement in reply to a Communist motion for debate on the Supreme Soviets appeal to world parliaments for support of disarmament. The Prime Minister said any such debate on the subject would be redundant because disarmament was one of the Israel Government's basic policies which the Knesset had overwhelmingly approved last month at the presentation of the new government.

The Prime Minister cited the Israel Government's proposal for regional disarmament, starting at least with the Middle East if global disarmament was not feasible now.

He said Soviet Premier Khrushchev's disarmament speech before the United Nations General Assembly last year, while undoubtedly made in good faith, clashed with the fact that the United Arab Republic and Iraq were obtaining "great supplies" of weapons from Soviet Russia. He added that both Arab countries were openly threatening aggression against Israel. The motion, which only the Communists supported, was removed from the agenda.

TSUR NAMED TO AGENCY EXECUTIVE, GRANOTT PRESIDENT OF KEREN KAYEMETH

JERUSALEM, Jan. 6. (JTA) -- Yaacov Tsur, former Ambassador to France and currently acting director general of the Foreign Ministry, was unanimously elected today a member of the Jewish Agency executive and director of its information division. He succeeds Abraham Harman, Israel Ambassador to the United States.

Abraham Granott, chairman of the Keren Kayemeth board of directors, was elected president of the JNF in recognition of his 20 years of service. The post has been vacant since the death of Menahem Ussishkin in 1941.

ROCKEFELLER PROPOSES NEW ANTI-BIAS LEGISLATION IN HOUSING FIELD

ALBANY, Jan. 6, (JTA) -- Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller told the State Legislature today that he was preparing and would soon submit specific legislation extending the State's anti-discrimination laws in the field of housing.

In his annual message to the Legislature, the governor declared that "New York State can justly be proud of its pioneer efforts to root out the evils of discrimination." He said, however, that there were "still areas in which discriminatory practices deny the full achievement of our goal of equal, full and fair opportunity for all.

"Experience with the enforcement of anti-discrimination legislation dealing with housing accommodations clearly indicates the feasibility of an extension in our state law at this time," he pointed out. "I am preparing and will recommend specific legislation in this field."

COMMITTEE PROGRAM FOR COMBATING BIGOTS STRESSES 'QUARANTINE'

NEW YORK, Jan. 6, (JTA) -- The American Jewish Committee reaffirmed today its faith in the "quarantine method" of dealing with professional bigots and rabble-rousers. The technique was an issue of debate between the AJC and other Jewish civic defense agencies several years ago.

The method, defined as denying "unwarranted publicity" to hate-peddlers, was described in a pamphlet summing up a five-year study on the problem.

According to "Deflating the Professional Bigot," the quarantine method stresses against any pressures on communication media, avoidance of debate with statements of bigots, refraining from libel suits against bigots, use of publicity to unmask "respectable" persons who secretly help bigots and exposure of facts the bigot conceals, cooperation of "competent community relations organizations" in furnishing adequate information on bigot activities "to friendly inquirers; private exposure of bigots to opinion-molders in a community to be visited by a bigot; avoiding protests against renting of halls to bigots after the transaction has been completed, except when authorities controlling such public property as a school hall have a policy of rejecting undesirable applicants, and using promotion of bigoted literature as a basis for interesting people in projects for improving intergroup relations.

The text of the pamphlet will be published this month in the first issue of the Journal of Intergroup Relations, a quarterly of the National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials. The pamphlet was written by Dr. S. Anshil Fineberg, community relations consultant of the AJC.

BILLY ROSE CONTRIBUTES MILLION-DOLLAR SCULPTURE GARDEN TO JERUSALEM

NEW YORK, Jan. 6, (JTA) -- Billy Rose, New York theatrical producer, has donated his entire collection of modern sculpture to the National Museum of Israel, and will personally finance the construction and landscaping of a five-acre garden in Jerusalem, in which his collection will be displayed. The value of the gift, including the garden, was estimated at well over one million dollars by Karl Katz, curator and director of the Museum, who said it was "one of the finest privately-owned collections of sculpture in the world."

Mr. Rose's gift was announced tonight by Samuel Rubin, president of the American-Israel Cultural Foundation, at its annual dinner-concert at the Waldorf-Astoria, in honor of Spyros P. Skouras. A presentation was made to Mr. Skouras "for his distinguished contributions over the years to the cultural exchange."

The sculpture garden will be situated on a hilltop of Jerusalem on land immediately adjacent to the new building of the National Museum of Israel overlooking a Byzantine Monastery. The site is in close proximity to the new Hebrew University, the National Parliament Building, and the small museum which will house the Dead Sea Scrolls.

It will be designed and landscaped by Isamu Noguchi, the Japanese-American sculptor who designed the UNESCO gardens in Paris. Mr. Rose and Mr. Noguchi will leave for Jerusalem the first week in February.

The Rose collection consists of more than 50 pieces, many of them of heroic size, and includes outstanding examples of the work of Rodin, Maillol, Daumier, Jacques Lipchitz and Sir Jacob Epstein.

"I am proud," said Mr. Rubin, "that Billy Rose is making his monumental gift through the good offices of our foundation. His sculpture garden will give tremendous impetus to the development of the National Museum, and will do much to enhance the prestige of Jerusalem as an art center. Overnight, this cultural outpost in the Middle East will become an important repository of modern sculpture.

Avraham Harman, Israel Ambassador to the United States, and Dr. Ralph Bunche, Under Secretary of the United Nations, sent messages to Mr. Rose congratulating him on his gift.

The concert following the dinner featured Gary Bertini, who made his American debut conducting 70 members of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra. Soloists were Isaac Stern, Regina Resnik and George London. Robert S. Benjamin presided at the dinner, with Robert W. Dowling acting as co-chairman.